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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to practitioners; amending s. 401.34,
3 F.S.; revising requirements for the deposit and use of
4 license fees for certain practitioners; amending s.
5 456.076, F.S.; requiring the Department of Financial
6 Services to defend certain claims, suits, actions, or
7 proceedings for injunctive, affirmative, or
8 declaratory relief involving emergency interventions
9 on behalf of impaired practitioners; providing an
10 effective date.

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12 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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14 Section 1. Subsections (1) and (2) of section 401.34,
15 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

16 401.34 Fees.—

17 (1) Each organization ~~or person~~ subject to this part must
18 pay to the department the following nonrefundable fees, and
19 these fees must be deposited into the Emergency Medical Services
20 Trust Fund to be applied solely for salaries and expenses of the
21 department incurred in implementing and enforcing this part:

22 (a) Basic life support service license application: \$660,
23 to be paid biennially.

24 (b) Advanced life support service license application:
25 \$1,375, to be paid biennially.

26 (c) Original or renewal vehicle permit application for
27 basic or advanced life support: \$25, to be paid biennially.

28 (d) Air ambulance service application: \$1,375, to be paid
29 biennially.

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30 (e) Original or renewal aircraft permit application for air
31 ambulance: \$25, to be paid biennially.

32 (2) Each person subject to this part must pay to the
33 department the following nonrefundable fees, and these fees must
34 be deposited into the Medical Quality Assurance Trust Fund:

35 (a)~~(d)~~ Emergency medical technician certification
36 examination application: \$40.

37 (b)~~(e)~~ Emergency medical technician original certificate
38 application: \$35.

39 (c)~~(f)~~ Emergency medical technician renewal certificate
40 application: \$20, to be paid biennially.

41 (d)~~(g)~~ Paramedic certification examination application:
42 \$40.

43 (e)~~(h)~~ Paramedic original certificate application: \$45.

44 (f)~~(i)~~ Paramedic renewal certificate application: \$45, to
45 be paid biennially.

46 ~~(j) Air ambulance service application: \$1,375, to be paid~~
47 ~~biennially.~~

48 ~~(k) Original or renewal aircraft permit application for air~~
49 ~~ambulance: \$25, to be paid biennially.~~

50 ~~(2) Fees collected under this section must be deposited to~~
51 ~~the credit of the Emergency Medical Services Trust Fund and must~~
52 ~~be applied solely for salaries and expenses of the department~~
53 ~~incurred in implementing and enforcing this part.~~

54 Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (7) of section
55 456.076, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

56 456.076 Treatment programs for impaired practitioners.—

57 (7)

58 (b) In accordance with s. 284.385, the Department of

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59 Financial Services shall defend any claim, suit, action, or
60 proceeding, including a claim, suit, action, or proceeding for
61 injunctive, affirmative, or declaratory relief, against the
62 consultant, the consultant's officers or employees, or those
63 acting at the direction of the consultant for the limited
64 purpose of an emergency intervention on behalf of a licensee or
65 student as described in subsection (2) when the consultant is
66 unable to perform such intervention, which claim, suit, action,
67 or proceeding is brought as a result of an ~~any~~ act or omission
68 by any of the consultant's officers and employees and those
69 acting under the direction of the consultant for the limited
70 purpose of an emergency intervention on behalf of the ~~a~~ licensee
71 or student ~~as described in subsection (2)~~ when the consultant is
72 unable to perform such intervention, if the ~~when such~~ act or
73 omission arises out of and is in the scope of the consultant's
74 duties under its contract with the department.

75 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.